

# North of the River

## West of Main Street

### Today ...

From Main Street to the Cotton Transfer Bridge the privately owned property has a 20-foot public access easement from the west side of the sub-station to the Cotton Transfer Bridge. The Planning Board recently approved a plan to redevelop the land along the river into 160 housing units. This includes the demolition of the cotton storage building on the river, since its low ceilings and high windows do not lend itself to reuse for housing.

### The Vision ...

The City’s vision is a 10-foot wide walkway from Main Street to the Cotton Transfer Bridge. The City envisions the walkway being a boardwalk on the riverside of the building, similar to the boardwalk next to The Peddler’s Daughter.

### Status ...

Cotton Mill Square, a Stabile Companies project recently approved by the Planning Board, includes the construction of the Riverwalk on their property. The City is working with the future developer of the Franklin Street properties to complete the section between Main Street and Cotton Mill Square.

Brad Hill has generously offered a public access easement on the land between the parking lot behind Rice Pharmacy and the PSNH sub-station to the City, which is in process.



Adjacent to Brad Hill donation



Brad Hill riverfront donation



View from Greeley House



Greeley House

# South of the River

## East of Main Street

### Today ...

From Main Street, Pearson Avenue connects to the back of the library. Some sidewalk exists and the remaining connection is along road and parking areas. The Heritage Trail extends from behind the library on the sewer interceptor to the railroad bridge, which accommodates both rail and pedestrians. This stretch is very attractive but can feel unsafe because of limited access.

### The Vision ...

The vision is a safe, well-lit riverwalk along the river from Main Street to the railroad bridge. A parallel riverwalk is envisioned on the top of the bank to connect the Senior Center and elderly housing to the library and Main Street. The parallel walks will connect in several places, increasing access and safety.

### Status ...

The new Senior Activity Center / Elderly Housing project was completed in summer 2006. Thanks to Senator Judd Gregg’s efforts, the City was recently awarded \$400,000 for the Riverwalk, part of which is being used to complete the Riverwalk behind the new senior facility.



Start of Library Walk



Library Walk



Rail with trail bridge over River



View from bridge over River